

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: TOSHIHIKO YAMASHITA ET AL.

SERIAL NO.: 09/926,841

GROUP ART UNIT: 1771

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EXAMINER: Jennifer A. Boyd

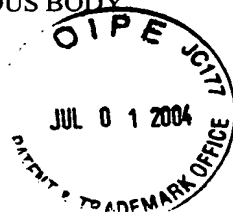
FOR: THIN, MESHY POROUS BODY AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE POROUS BODY

ATTY. REFERENCE: YAMA3020/FJD

COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

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Independent Claims		- ²	= ³	× \$ 43 =	× \$ 86 =
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- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account Number 02-0200 in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication, including fees due under 37 CFR 1.16 and 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account Number 02-0200. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ Also enclosed is/are: Petition for Extension of Time w/\$55 Fee

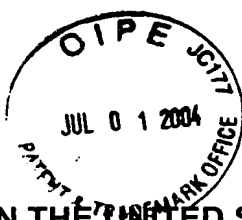
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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
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Introductory Comments

The following amendments to the claims and corresponding remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.111 in response to the Office Action of March 1, 2004.